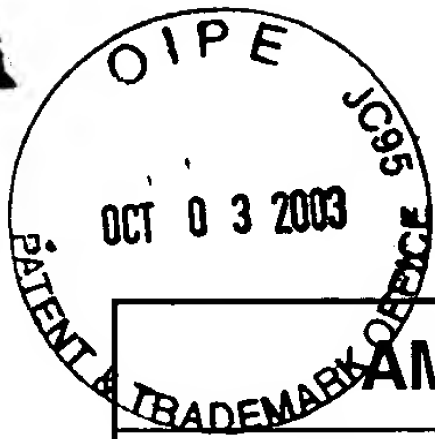

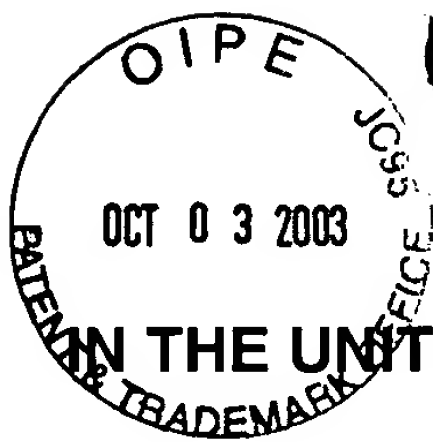


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Application No. 09/726,548		Filing Date December 1, 2000		Examiner G. Knable	
Art Unit 1733					
Applicant(s): Noboru OKADA et al.					
Invention: TIRE FORMING SYSTEM AND TIRE FORMING METHOD					
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
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Other fee (please specify):					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. <u>18-0013</u> as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayment.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.					
 David T. Nikaido Attorney Reg. No.: 22,663				Dated: <u>October 3, 2003</u>	
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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1, 3-5, 7 and 8 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 9-16 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 4 and 8 are amended.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)